

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, May 19, 2014 with Commissioners Bruce Levi, Ken Masters; Mary Ann Beard, Auditor and Leigh Morning, County Attorney in attendance. Commissioner Mark Bacon was absent.

Commissioner Bruce Levi called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the meeting of May 5<sup>th</sup> were approved on a motion by Ken Masters and seconded by Bruce Levi.

### **MILROY RIGHT OF WAY**

Keith and Linda Maple; and Billy Joe and Delores Ward were present to discuss the letter they received from the County Attorney giving notice to remove items and buildings in the right of way on the streets of Milroy. Michael and Stephanie Shook responded through a letter from their attorney. All parties are making an effort to resolve the situation and were given the needed time to complete the project.

### **EMA**

Chuck Kemker commended the sheriff's department for their dedicated effort during the tornado that passed through Rushville last week.

### **TREASURER**

Cindy Humphrey Treasurer reported that Spring Tax Collections went well with \$236,433.56 more collected than this time last year. The balance of cash and investments as of this date is \$12,117,366.61.

### **FENCE DISPUTE**

Attorney Leigh Morning has instructed Marlene Fudge to the Richland Township Trustee's duties in a fence dispute. There may be a conflict of interest issue. If so, neighboring Trustee Karen Jenkins will assume the role of the mediator in the process as stated in statute.

### **PLOTTER CONTRACT**

Auditor Mary Ann Beard presented a contract with Eastern Engineering Supply for a rental agreement for a Canon Plotter/Scanner. The three year \$149 per month agreement was signed on a motion by Ken Masters and seconded by Bruce Levi.

### **LOCAL COORDINATING COUNCIL**

The Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana has approved Rush County's Comprehensive Community Plan. This will allow funds in the Drug Free Fund to be allocated to the Local Coordinating Council.

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

The Rush County Chamber of Commerce is compiling a Community Calendar to list meetings and events in one common place. Carole Yeend will post this calendar on the Rush County website when it is completed.

## **SHERIFF**

Sheriff Jeff Sherwood reported the jail was at full capacity with 47 inmates. The jail inspection was Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup> with no major issues. The new sheriff cars will be delivered by May 25<sup>th</sup>. The Sheriff requested the Equitable Share Agreement be signed. This would allow the department to recoup contraband seized by the federal government. Ken Masters moved to sign the agreement. Bruce Levi seconded the motion.

## **HIGHWAY**

Superintendent Jerry Sitton reported that his department is replacing a box culvert at CR 160 E and 700 S. Also CR 450 S west of State Road 3 will be closed for 30 days. Sitton was given permission to replace an employee that recently left for another position.

## **DRAINAGE ISSUE**

Christabelle Montgomery reported a drainage issue on her property on East State Road 44. Mrs. Montgomery was instructed to see the Surveyor

## **EMS**

Run reports were received from Carthage Fire Department and Raleigh Fire Department.

Bi-weekly claims were approved by Ken Masters with Bruce Levi offering a second. Payroll claims were signed on a motion by Ken Masters. Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Ken Masters moved to adjourn. Bruce Levi offered a second. Motion carried.

/s/ Bruce Levi  
Bruce Levi, Chairman

/s/ Mark Bacon  
Mark Bacon

/s/ Ken Masters  
Ken Masters

ATTEST:

/s/ Mary Ann Beard  
Mary Ann Beard, Auditor